

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Original): A hardcoat agent composition which comprises a fluorine-containing polyether compound (A) having a perfluoropolyether unit, urethane bond and active energy ray reactive group and a curable compound (B) having equal to or more than 2 active energy ray polymerizing groups in the molecule.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition ~~[[of]]~~ according to Claim 1, wherein the fluorine-containing polyether compound (A) is contained in a range from 0.01 parts by weight or greater to 3 parts by weight or less in relation to 100 parts by weight of a nonvolatile part in the said composition.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition ~~[[of]]~~ according to Claim 1, ~~or Claim 2~~ wherein the curable compound (B) contains 65 to 100 % by weight of a curable compound (Bt) having 3 or more active energy ray polymerizing groups in the molecule and 0 to 35 % by weight of a curable compound (Bd) having 2 active energy ray polymerizing groups in the molecule on the basis of the curable compound (B).

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition ~~of any one of Claims 1 to 3~~ according to Claim 1, wherein the fluorine-containing polyether compound (A) has the number average molecular weight ranging from 500 or greater to 10,000 or less on the basis of polystyrene standard determined by GPC (Gel Permeation Chromatography).

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition ~~of any one of Claims 1 to 4~~ according to Claim 1, wherein the fluorine-containing polyether compound (A) has 2 or more active energy ray reactive groups in the molecule.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition ~~of any one of Claims 1 to 5~~ according to Claim 1, wherein active energy ray reactive groups contained in the fluorine-containing polyether compound (A) are selected from ~~groups~~ group consisting of an (meth)acryloyl group and vinyl group.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition ~~of any one of Claims 1 to 6~~ according to Claim 1, wherein the fluorine-containing polyether compound (A) is a compound in which (meth)acryloyl is introduced via urethane bond into a hydroxyl group of a fluorine-containing polyether compound having a hydroxyl group at the end and also having a perfluoropolyether unit.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition ~~of any one of Claims 1 to 7~~ according to Claim 1, wherein additionally contained are inorganic microparticles (C) with a mean particle diameter of 100nm or less.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition ~~[[of]]~~ according to Claim 8, wherein the inorganic microparticles (C) ranging from 5 parts by weight or greater to 500 parts by weight or less are contained in relation to 100 parts by weight of the curable compound (B).

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition ~~[[of]]~~ according to Claim 8, or Claim 9 wherein the inorganic microparticles (C) are microparticles of metal or ~~metalloid~~ semi-metal oxide or microparticles of metal or metalloid sulfide.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition ~~of any one of Claims 8 to 10~~ according to Claim 8, wherein the inorganic microparticles (C) are silica microparticles.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): The hardcoat agent composition ~~of any one of Claims 8 to 11~~ according to Claim 8, wherein the inorganic microparticles (C) are surface-modified by a hydrolysable silane compound having an active energy ray reactive group.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): A thing whose surface is given a hardcoat layer having a curable substance of the hardcoat agent composition ~~described in any one of Claims 1 to 12~~ according to Claim 1.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): An optical information medium comprising:  
a supporting substrate;  
a film substance composed of single or multiple layers containing at least a recording layer or a reflecting layer on the supporting substrate; and  
a hardcoat layer containing a curable substance of the hardcoat agent composition ~~of any one of Claims 1 to 12~~ according to Claim 1, formed on at least either a surface of the ~~above-mentioned~~ supporting substrate or a surface the ~~above-mentioned~~ film substance.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): The optical information medium of Claim 14 wherein, regarding the surface of the ~~above-mentioned~~ supporting substrate and that of the ~~above-mentioned~~ film substance, a surface which is to be a light entering side is formed by the ~~above-mentioned~~ hardcoat layer.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): An optical information medium having an information recording layer on the supporting substrate and a light transmitting layer on the information recording layer, and the optical information medium having a hardcoat layer containing a curable substance of the hardcoat agent composition ~~of any one of Claims 1 to 12~~ according to Claim 1 on the light transmitting layer.